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## The Question Before the People

SAN ANTONIO had a net public school enrolment last year of 12,143. The total cost of running the schools, including \$28,000 for improvements, and \$7300 for furniture and fixtures, was \$290,000, or \$23.89 per enrolled pupil. El Paso's enrolment for the session now closing is 5600, and the expenditures for the fiscal year will be close to \$236,000, or \$42.14 per enrolled pupil—nearly double the per capita cost of the San Antonio schools.

The question naturally arises, are our schools twice as good as San Antonio's, are we getting twice as much for our money, or is the remarkable discrepancy in the unit cost due to mismanagement of the finances of El Paso's public schools by the political school board?

The political domination of the school board which has been the rule in this city is responsible for dissension, lack of efficient supervision, and high average cost per pupil. If you want a business administration of the public school affairs free from any taint of political or partisan control or from favoritism and prejudice, vote for the Citizens' candidates—Stevenson, McBroom, and Krakauer. If you want a continuation of the inefficient and extravagant management which has prevailed under political control of the board, vote for the "ring" candidates, who call themselves the "good schools ticket"—including one member who for years has been drawing a salary out of the school funds in plain violation of law.

El Paso does not want stockyards in the city limits. Let the permit for the yards in the second ward be revoked before the proprietor can begin to claim "vested rights."

The use of the term "Good schools ticket" by the "ring" candidates is merely a device to deceive the unwary voter. The so-called "Good schools ticket" is the "ring" ticket; the independent ticket is called the "Citizens'" ticket on the official ballot.

The El Paso Herald is by far the best advertisement El Paso has. Consider today's paper and tomorrow's in that light: the big 32 page paper is far beyond comparison with any other newspaper published south of Colorado between San Antonio and Los Angeles. It is a literal fact that the El Paso Herald is the most important newspaper in an area of 1,200,000 square miles, with El Paso at the center of the big circle.

## Lagging With the Fair

AT her fair this year Phoenix will distribute \$30,000 in racing purses and \$1000 in prizes for the best school exhibits. Every city and town in the southwest has planned for an exposition of some kind this fall, but El Paso lags in the rear of the procession.

We need very little more money to put the fair on a sound financial basis. But if the balance is not soon forthcoming, the chief backers who have stood loyally behind the proposition will withdraw. It is bad business to let this matter go any further into the summer. Soon the summer exodus will begin and it is always hard to get much done here during the warm months.

These are the golden days and we ought to make the most of them.

Be sure to take your poll tax receipt to the voting place on Saturday. Every voter at the school election will have to present a poll tax receipt.

Don't stay away from the polls on Saturday whether you like the present regime or desire to see it changed. Vote for somebody, if just to show that you are not a clam.

## Wake Up, El Paso!

FEW of our own people appreciate the resources and possibilities of El Paso and the promise of the future as thoroughly as do the intelligent strangers who visit us. It is a fact that we do not begin to live up to our opportunities. This city is favored by nature and by all the conditions of modern traffic and business beyond all the other inland cities between the Missouri river and the Pacific ocean.

There is no reason why El Paso should not be the greatest inland metropolis. Our merchants are not all quick to take advantage of the rate concessions granted this city, and it may yet require a prod from outside competition entering into our very vitals to arouse this city to the necessity of vigorous, aggressive, determined, persistent effort and far-sightedness amounting almost to prophecy, if we would realize our manifest destiny.

These latest freight rate reductions recently announced give El Paso the decided advantage over every other point between Kansas City and San Francisco. Yet we seem to have difficulty pulling ourselves out of the grouchy state of feeling and the depression of mind that have possessed us.

Everything is coming our way and we are doing our best to hold back the wave of prosperity.

Every citizen owes it to himself to express his choice in the school board election. The poll tax receipt will be necessary, but one need not be a property taxpayer in order to vote.

## Four Who Swell Up

THE Democrats of Texas will have the pleasure before long of choosing as their candidate for governor between Davidson, the trust buster, Poindexter, the expert fence-straddler, Johnson, the statewide prohibitionist, and Colquitt, who is using Tom Campbell as a horrible example.

Here stand the very best the Democracy of the state of Texas is able to offer as candidates to govern 5,000,000 people the next two years. Not many of them can honestly be called world figures.

There are compensations in our being so far isolated from the rest of Texas: we are preserved from the destructive influences of the state campaigns. Our reputations as Texans are at stake of course as well as our pocketbooks, but we are powerless to help ourselves anyhow, and that furnishes a good excuse for keeping calm.

Oil at Camp City would serve mightily to grease the wheels of progress and advancement in this part of the southwest.

We all got much excited over the new insurance rating for El Paso and held indignation meetings and reared up on our hind legs in a regular war dance that lasted as much as two days. The mayor in his annual message recommended a number of necessary changes in the city with a view to decreasing the rate. An effort was going to be made to get the state fire rating board to visit El Paso in the near future. We were going to send a delegation to Austin to state our case, and we were going to make big and bold representations to Mr. Roulet, the actuary for the fire insurance companies. There is an old saying about going up like a rocket and down like a stick. It is our worst failing here in El Paso—we are continually starting what we do not make the proper effort to finish.

## UNCLE WALT'S Denatured Poem

I DETEST the man who poses, who in every act discloses his conviction that he's bigger than the biggest stars that shine; for the real big man is modest, while the faker's built of sawdust, and you'll never see a posing guy who's strictly genuine. I have watched the modern lion with admirers round him sighing, and I longed to swat him gently with a length of garden hose, as he glared at silly lasses through his oriental glasses, while his hair was hanging round him till it nearly reached his toes. I have heard a genius stammer till it gave me katzenjammer, and he made his speech eccentric as an advertising scheme; and I've heard about another who insisted that he'd smothered if he wore a hat—so, idleness he went round, as in a dream. Canst imagine John H. Milton (he whose loud, immortal blarney fixed his name upon the ages) posing like a circus freak? Con you see the hard of Avon try an audience to spavin by reciting his own verses and his dramas by the week? Modesty is most majestic; it's a virtue quite domestic, but it's worth our cultivation, whether great or half-way great; whether we are clerks or writers, alchemists or seers or fighters; and the man who always poses may be written down a skate.

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## 14 Years Ago To-day

PLAN TO BRING WATER FROM MEXICO TO SUPPLY EL PASO

The engineering corps of the Rio Grande, Sierra Madre & Pacific railroad will complete the survey to Palomas Saturday.

Mrs. E. J. Sanford entertained the Heart club at her Concordia residence this afternoon.

The discussion of the water situation has brought a proposition to pipe water to El Paso from the Samalayuca hills, a distance of 30 miles, along the Mexican Central right of way, but a concession would have to be secured from the Mexican government.

Granville Allison, assistant at St. Clement's church, has left for Nashville, Tenn., where he will act as assistant to the pastor of a church there. The Tin Roof Accommodation society of the McGinty club opened their season last night with a big celebration.

County clerk Parker leaves tonight for Austin and other eastern points, on a business and pleasure trip.

The program for the 5th of May in Juarez was successfully carried out. Rev. L. R. Millican, pastor of the Baptist church, has gone to Chattanooga to attend the annual Baptist convention.

The bachelors and summer grass widowers are preparing for their annual blowout, which will be held on June 1. The Texas & Pacific mail closes now at 4:30.

Pedro Baca, alleged to be a convict escaped from the Colorado state prison, was found in Juarez yesterday by Bud Selman and John Pinkney and induced to come to this side. Sheriff Simmons has received a telegram from Washington stating that Baca is wanted there and a man will be sent here to take him back.

Junior duty sergeant Drake at Fort Bliss has been promoted to first sergeant, to fill the vacancy caused by the retirement of sergeant Newman.

Metal market—Silver, 63 1/2c; lead, \$2.90; copper, 10 1/2c; Mexican pesos, 53c.

## Judge Goggin To the Voters

Appeals for Votes for "Citizens'" Ticket.

"A general diffusion of knowledge being essential to the preservation of the liberties and rights of the people, it shall be the duty of the legislature of the state to establish and make suitable provision for the support and maintenance of an efficient system of public free schools." 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